



Dual Degree: Music Education, Choral and General Music, BM & Vocal Performance, BM

College of Arts and Sciences (CAS)
Department of Music, Theatre, & Dance
Catalog Year: 2025

This is a sample schedule of all general education, CAS Exploratory, and major requirements for both degrees
The below plan is based on WRT 1060: Composition I Writing Placement

Semester One (17 Credit Hours)					Notes
Course	Credits	Minimum Grade	Prerequisites		
MUS 1330: Foundations for Collegiate Musicians	1	C			For Fall 2025, the music department recommends that first year students take the ensemble for 0 credits and also enroll in MUS 1330.
MUA 1000: Vocal Techniques	2	C	Music and Musical Theatre majors only		
MUA 1000: Voice	1	C	MUA applied lessons require permission of dept.		1 credit first semester, 2 credits second semester
MUE 4001: University Chorus or MUE 4004: Oakland Chorale	1	C	MUE 4004 requires audition.		Must enroll in a large ensemble that uses the primary performance area every semester of major.
MUS 1332: Music of World Cultures	3	C	Pre/Corequisite: MUS 1212 or MUS 1214		For Fall 2024, the music department recommends that first year students take the ensemble for 0 credits and also enroll in MUS 1330. MUS 1331 & 1332 are not sequential.
MUS 1212: Music Theory I	3	C	MUS 1211 or placement exam.		Corequisite with MUS 1213
MUS 1213: Aural Skills I	1	C	MUS 1211 or placement exam.		Corequisite with MUS 1212
MUS 1171: Keyboard Technique I	2	C	Music majors only		Corequisite with MUS 1213
WRT 1060: Composition I	4	C	WRT 1020 with a grade of C or higher; placement		Prerequisite to subsequent Writing Foundation General Education course
CAS 1000: CAS Advantage - Freshman Leadership and Professional Skills Development I	0	Passing			CAS Advantage Information
Semester Two (14 Credit Hours)					Notes
Course	Credits	Minimum Grade	Prerequisites		
MUA 1000: Voice	2	C	MUA applied lessons require permission of dept.		1 credit first semester, 2 credits second semester
MUE 4001: University Chorus or MUE 4004: Oakland Chorale	1	C	MUE 4004 requires audition.		Must enroll in a large ensemble that uses the primary performance area every semester of major.
MUS 1331: History and Literature of Western Tonal Music	3	C	MUS 1214 and MUS 1215 (or placement exam)		Major and General Education Arts course.
MUS 1214: Music Theory II	3	C	Music 1212 and MUS 1213 (or placement exam)		Corequisite with MUS 1215
MUS 1215: Aural Skills II	1	C	Music 1212 and MUS 1213 (or placement exam)		Corequisite with MUS 1214
MUS 1172: Keyboard Technique II	2	C	MUS 1171		Corequisite with MUS 1214
WRT 1060: Composition II	4	B	WRT 1060 with grade of C or higher; placement		Prerequisite to subsequent Writing Intensive courses
CAS 1001: CAS Advantage - Freshman Leadership and Professional Skills Development II	0	Passing			CAS Advantage Information
Semester Four (15 Credit Hours)					Notes
Course	Credits	Minimum Grade	Prerequisites		
MUA 2000: Voice	2	C	MUA applied lessons require permission of dept.		
MUE 4001: University Chorus or MUE 4004: Oakland Chorale	1	C	MUE 4004 requires audition.		Must enroll in a large ensemble that uses the primary performance area every semester of major.
MUS 2212: Music Theory III	3	C	MUS 1214 and MUS 1215 (or placement exam)		Corequisite with MUS 2213
MUS 2213: Aural Skills III	1	C	MUS 1214 and MUS 1215 (or placement exam)		Corequisite with MUS 2212
MUS 3331: History and Literature of Medieval and Renaissance Music	3	C	MUS 1331, MUS 1214, MUS 1215, WRT 1060		Major and General Education Writing Intensive course
MUS 2171: Keyboard Technique III	2	C	MUS 1172 and MUS 1214		
MUS 4163: Diction for Singers I	2	C			
MUS 2440: Learning and Teaching Music	1	B	MUS 1331 & 1332, MUS 1214 & 1215, WRT 1060		
CAS 2000: CAS Advantage - Sophomore Leadership and Professional Skills Development I	0	Passing			CAS Advantage Information
Semester Five (17 Credit Hours)					Notes
Course	Credits	Minimum Grade	Prerequisites		
MUA 2000: Voice	2	C	MUA applied lessons require permission of dept.		
MUE 4001: University Chorus or MUE 4004: Oakland Chorale	1	C	MUE 4004 requires audition.		Must enroll in a large ensemble that uses the primary performance area every semester of major.
MUS 2214: Music Theory IV	3	C	MUS 2212 and MUS 2213		Corequisite with MUS 2215
MUS 2215: Aural Skills IV	1	C	MUS 2212 and MUS 2213		Corequisite with MUS 2214
MUS 3332: History and Literature of Western Music from Ca. 1850 to the Present	3	C	MUS 1331, MUS 1214, MUS 1215, WRT 1060		Major and General Education Writing Intensive course
MUS 2172: Keyboard Technique IV	2	C	MUS 2171		
MUS 4164: Diction for Singers II	2	C	MUS 4163		
MUS 2441: Educational Psychology and Music Learning	3	B	MUS 2440		
CAS 2001: CAS Advantage - Sophomore Leadership and Professional Skills Development II	0	Passing			CAS Advantage Information
Semester Six - Summer (8 Credit Hours)					Notes
Course	Credits	Minimum Grade	Prerequisites		
General Education Category	4	Passing			General Education in Course Catalog
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Semester Seven (18 Credit Hours)					Notes
Course	Credits	Minimum Grade	Prerequisites		
MUA 3000: Voice	4	C	MUA applied lessons require permission of dept.		
MUE 4001: University Chorus or MUE 4004: Oakland Chorale	1	C	MUE 4004 requires audition.		Must enroll in a large ensemble that uses the primary performance area every semester of major.
MUS 3561: Conducting I	2	B	MUS 2214, MUS 2215		
MUS 3171: Accompanying for the Non-pianist I	2	C	MUS 2172		
MUS 3441: Elementary General Music Methods	3	B	MUS 2441		
MUS 4561: Vocal Repertoire I	2	C	MUS 4163 (may be taken concurrently)		Offered during odd Fall semesters (e.g. Fall 2027)
Italian, French, or German I/140	4	C			Major and General Education Language
CAS 3000: CAS Advantage - Junior Leadership and Professional Skills Development I	0	Passing			CAS Advantage Information
Semester Eight (18 Credit Hours)					Notes
Course	Credits	Minimum Grade	Prerequisites		
MUA 3000: Voice	4	C	MUA applied lessons require permission of dept.		
MUE 4001: University Chorus or MUE 4004: Oakland Chorale	1	C	MUE 4004 requires audition.		Must enroll in a large ensemble that uses the primary performance area every semester of major.
MUS 2420: Instrumental Techniques for Choral Majors	2	B			Offered in Winter
MUS 3562: Conducting II	2	B	MUS 3561		
MUS 3172: Accompanying for the Non-pianist II	2	C	MUS 3171		
MUS 4562: Vocal Repertoire II	2	C	MUS 4164 (may be taken concurrently) and MUS 4561		Offered during even Winter semesters (e.g. Winter 2028)
Improvising (or Composing) class	1	C	Prerequisites vary by choice		Choose from MUE 4015, 4040, 4041, 4042, 4045, 4046, MUS 3501
MUS 4408: Choral Methods	3	B	MUS 3441, 3332, MUS 2214, 2215 and major standing in music education		
MUE 4050: Opera Workshop	1	C	Sophomore standing		
CAS 3001: CAS Advantage - Junior Leadership and Professional Skills Development II	0	Passing			CAS Advantage Information
Semester Nine (16 Credit Hours)					Notes
Course	Credits	Minimum Grade	Prerequisites		
MUA 4000: Voice	4	C	MUA applied lessons require permission of dept.		
MUE 4001: University Chorus or MUE 4004: Oakland Chorale	1	C	MUE 4004 requires audition.		Must enroll in a large ensemble that uses the primary performance area every semester of major.
MUS 4401: Instrumental Methods I for Choral Majors	1	B	MUS 3441, MUS 2214, MUS 2215 and major standing in music education		
MUS 4434: Teaching Music to Learners with Exceptionalities	4	B	MUS 2441 with a grade of B or higher		May be taken this summer or next.
MUE 4050: Opera Workshop	1	C			Sophomore standing
MUS History or Theory elective	4	C	MUS 2214, MUS 2215, Others may vary with choice.		Choose from MUS 3211, 3212, 4210, 4320, 4323, 4330.
CAS 4000: CAS Advantage - Senior Leadership and Professional Skills Development I	0	Passing			CAS Advantage Information
Semester Ten (17 Credit Hours)					Notes
Course	Credits	Minimum Grade	Prerequisites		
MUE 4000: University Chorus or MUE 4004: Oakland Chorale	1	C	MUE 4004 requires audition.		Must enroll in a large ensemble that uses the primary performance area every semester of major.
Improvising (or Composing) class	1	C	Prerequisites vary by choice		Choose from MUE 4015, 4040, 4041, 4042, 4045, 4046, MUS 3501
MUS 4431: Teaching Music in the 21st Century I	3	B	Major standing in music education		
RDG 4238: Teaching Reading in the Content Areas	4	B	Admission to secondary education program or permission of instructor.		Offered Winter semester.
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CAS 4001: CAS Advantage - Senior Leadership and Professional Skills Development II	0	Passing			CAS Advantage Information
Semester Eleven (12 Credit Hours)					Notes
Course	Credits	Minimum Grade	Prerequisites		
MUA 4998: Senior Recital	4	C	At least one semester of 4000 level applied study		Major and University Capstone. Includes 4000-level voice lesson.
MUE 4001: University Chorus or MUE 4004: Oakland Chorale	0	C	MUE 4004 requires audition.		Must enroll in a large ensemble that uses the primary performance area every semester of major.
General Education Category	4	Passing			General Education in Course Catalog
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Semester Twelve (12 Credit Hours)					
Course	Credits	Minimum Grade	Prerequisites	Notes	
MUS 4952: Internship in Secondary Education	12	B	Admission to the internship.	Major and University Capstone	
Dual Degree Requirements:					
To complete a dual degree, students must:					
1) have not already completed a bachelor's degree					
2) complete all requirements of both programs					
3) reach at least 30 total credits (and 15 upper level) beyond the minimum credits for the highest credit program.					
Upon completion, students will receive two diplomas and have both degrees conferred on their CU transcript.					
Students interested in this dual degree program should work with an academic adviser to ensure their major(s) is updated accordingly.					
Sample Schedule Notes:					
MUS 1331 and MUS 1332 are not sequential and the two courses may be taken in either order.					
Application for the music education major standing takes place upon completion of all freshman and sophomore coursework.					
MUS 4961 is offered during odd Fall semesters (e.g. Fall 2027) and MUS 4962 during even Winter semesters (e.g. Winter 2028).					
CAS Exploratory Requirement					
Students completing this dual degree program are exempt from the College Exploratory requirement.					
Degree Requirements		Credits	Note		
General Education		36	Multiple General Education course are fulfilled with courses in the Major to reach the 40 required credits - is this needed? no longer a GE policy		
Diversity		Included	Multiple General Education and/or major courses also fulfill this area		
WM/WIGE/Capstone		Included	Multiple General Education and/or major courses also fulfill this area		
CAS Exploratory Requirement		Exempt			
Major		133			
Electives		0			
Total Credits:		169			